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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Berkeley County
G. Thomas Cooper, Circuit Court Judge

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VERNON MICHAEL WILCOX,

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2015-000411

PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE
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AND ACCOMPANYING APPENDIX

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a thirty day extension in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

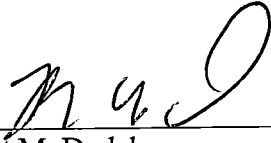
1. The petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel filed the brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Terry Hall with Court of Appeals on June 26, 2015. Counsel filed a petition for rehearing in the case of State v. Curtis J. Simms in this Court with co-counsel Susan Barber Hackett and co-

counsel David Alexander on June 24, 2015. Counsel filed a redacted brief of appellant and designation of matter in the death penalty case of State v. Ricky Lee Blackwell in this Court with co-counsel David Alexander on June 18, 2015. Counsel filed a brief of petitioner in the case of State v. Antonio Miller with this Court on June 18, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of State v. William Pou with this Court on June 15, 2015. Counsel filed the Return to the Motion to Dismiss as Interlocutory in the case of State v. Bryan Rearick with Court of Appeals on June 15, 2015. Counsel filed the brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Joshua Griffith with Court of Appeals on June 12, 2015. Counsel filed a Reply Brief in the case of Richard Bernard Moore v. State in the Supreme Court of the United States today with co-counsel Susan Hackett on June 8, 2015. Counsel filed a Return to Motion to Dismiss in the case of John William. Dixon v. State before this Court on June 8, 2015. Counsel argued the case of State v. Charles M. Harris before this Court on June 3, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in Michael A. Hough v. State with this Court on June 1, 2015, with co-counsel Lara Caudy. **Counsel has extensive administrative duties as the Chief Appellate Defender, including administrative and Appellate Project oversight, and, as stated above, training three new appellate defenders and reading all of their writings.**

3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. M. Dudek', written over a horizontal line.

Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

July 8, 2015

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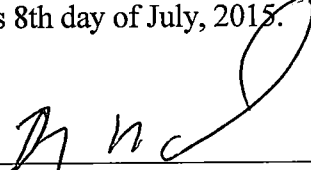
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that a true copy of the petition for extension to file petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the above referenced case has been served upon J. Rutledge Johnson, Esquire, at Rembert Dennis Building, Room 519, 1000 Assembly Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, this 8th day of July, 2015.



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me
this 8th day of July, 2015.

 (L.S.)
Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: October 24, 2021.